SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 771

By Burks

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Cathy Kinniard upon being elected Governor of Pilot Clubs of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Cathy Kinniard, who was recently elected Governor of Pilot Clubs of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Pilot International is a volunteer service organization comprised of business and professional women who share a common desire to help people in need and to make the world a better place to live; and

WHEREAS, there are over 25,000 members of Pilot International in 500 Clubs around the world, with fifteen chapters in Tennessee; Pilot Club members work to improve the lives of those affected by brain-related disorders through education, volunteerism, financial support, and research; and

WHEREAS, Pilot International has helped numerous people affected by brain-related disorders by sponsoring such programs as BrainMinders, which promotes brain injury prevention and awareness; Pilot's signature project, the BrainMinders program, has distributed over 500,000 children's safety books and donates safety helmets to underprivileged children; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Pilot Clubs also donate money to Habitat for Humanity, animal shelters, the Nursing School at Tennessee Tech University, and St. Jude's Children's Hospital; Pilot also sponsors a Matching Grant Program that has distributed over 1.1million dollars since 1977; and

WHEREAS, hailing from Double Springs, Mrs. Kinniard is the daughter of Arlon Chaffin and the sister of Dennis Chaffin; and

WHEREAS, a graduate of Baxter High School, Cathy Kinniard serves as a nurse for Doctors Hall and Gentry in Cookeville; and

WHEREAS, as Governor of Pilot Clubs of Tennessee, Mrs. Kinniard will travel to other Pilot Clubs of Tennessee and will act as the Tennessee representative to Pilots International; and

WHEREAS, evincing her devout religious faith, Cathy Kinniard is an active member of Jefferson Avenue Church of Christ; and

WHEREAS, the loving mother of Todd Kinniard and wife of Carl Edwin Kinniard, Cathy Kinniard epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Cathy Kinniard for her dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Cathy Kinniard upon being elected Governor of Pilot Clubs of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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